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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 07, 2005 that set a three-months period for reply, the Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension to file a reply by August 7, 2005; authorization is hereby given to charge Account No. 50-0359 for the extension. This reply is thus timely filed.

In view of the amendment to the specification as set forth at page 2 herein; the claims which start at page 3; and the remarks, which start at page 9, reconsideration and allowance of the Application is respectfully requested.

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